

Congressman Harry Teague's Request Included in Interior Appropriations Bill

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Washington, DC – Today, Congressman Harry Teague voted in favor of the Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations conference report. The bill includes a \$300,000 appropriations request that Congressman Teague made on the behalf of the city of Carlsbad for upgrades to the effluent water delivery system. In place since 1993, the Wastewater Effluent Reuse Program, will conserve 1,000 acre-feet of potable water or 325,000,000 gallons annually when it is fully completed. The legislation passed by a vote of 247 to 178.

“Carlsbad’s water reuse program is a great example of how our cities can reuse wastewater for the benefit of the community,” said Congressman Harry Teague. “This funding will not only make more water available to our entire community but it will help free up water for our agricultural businesses so that we can conserve even more of our drinking water.”

Since January 2000, the City has been irrigating the Municipal Golf Course with wastewater effluent at a rate of approximately 430,000 gallons per day.

The proposed upgrades to the Wastewater Effluent Reuse Program consists of, installation of aeration/holding ponds, construction of a 10-inch effluent transmission line, and tie-ins to the existing main irrigation lines to facilitate irrigation of 200 acres of city parks north and south of the golf course.

The bill now heads to the President's desk.

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